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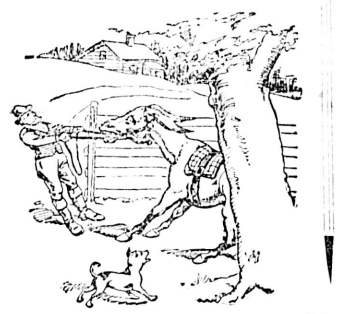

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THE "GLOBE" ON McINNES.

It Gives Him Another Rough Overhauling in Strong Words.

TORONTO, April 8.—(Special)—Quoting from the Hansard report on McInnes' present attack on the Globe connection with the Crow's Nest Pass railway, the Globe says: "We say the man who makes the statement that the Canadian Pacific are 'masters' of the Globe, is a liar and a slanderer. We say that the man who insinuates that the policy of the Globe on public questions is dictated, or influenced, directly or indirectly, by the Canadian Pacific Railway or any one connected with the Canadian Pacific Railway or any one having dealings with the Canadian Pacific Railway is a liar and slanderer. We say the man who says or insinuates the Globe's policy on the Crow's Nest Pass Railway was dictated or even suggested directly or indirectly by any one having dealings with the British Columbia Southern or with the coal or land grants of the British Columbia Southern is a liar and a slanderer. If the Globe has 'put its foot into it,' it intends to keep its footing. We invite Mr. McInnes to proceed. Let him go on with his 'washing.' If the Globe made an attack on Mr. McInnes it was in reply to a similar attack against this paper, made deliberately on the floor of parliament. The charge we brand as a falsehood, and its author is a liar and slanderer."

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CRETAN SITUATION.

Turkish Government Pushing Out Reinforcements to the Frontier As Quickly as Possible.

Additional Troops of the Powers Being Sent to Crete—Further Parley Useless.

LONDON, April 8.—The Earl of Kimberley, leader of the Liberal party in the House of Lords, speaking at a Liberal banquet this afternoon in London, urged the withdrawal of the Turkish troops as the first step in the pacification of Crete. He said the only true and secure policy was to come to a prompt understanding as to the form of government for the island. Personally he would like to see Crete under the government of Greece and he believed if the powers concluded to adopt that course they would not meet with any serious objection from Turkey. The opposition, he said, had done its best to ascertain the policy of the government, but had been invariably disappointed and now felt relieved of all further responsibility.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 8.—An extraordinary council of ministers of the empire was held at the palace to-day. It is understood that as a result of it the Turkish government will reinforce the troops at Salonica with thirty-two battalions of reliefs from Anatonia.

The Mussulmans of Sitia are suffering from want of water, the wells in town not being sufficient to supply their needs and the insurgents drive the Mussulmans back whenever the latter made attempts to obtain water outside the town, in spite of protection afforded by the foreign warships in Suda Bay. The barracks occupied by the Italian marines doing duty on shore at Candia have been burned to the ground. The cause of the fire is unknown.

A detachment of 600 additional Russian troops and an additional detachment of 700 British troops have arrived here. The consuls pointed out that further parley with the insurgents was useless because they were unable to give them definite information relative to the withdrawal of the Turkish troops or furnish the insurgent leaders with details regarding the autonomous form of government which the powers proposed to confer on Crete.

IMPERIAL POSTAGE.

Complete Freedom as to Rates Will Be Reserved at the Postal Congress.

LONDON, April 8.—The financial secretary to the treasury, Mr. R. W. Hanbury, replying to a question as to whether care would be taken at the Washington Postal Congress to reserve for the Imperial and Colonial governments complete freedom of action with respect to postal arrangements, including charges within the limits of the British empire, said that In 1890 the postoffice department was advised that it did not have the power to establish rates differing from those prescribed by the postal union between Great Britain and her conlonies. Continuing, Mr. Hanbury explained that the congress of Vienna held that Great Britain might establish with her colonies rates below the union rates but above her inland rates. Mr. Hanbury further said he did not know whether this would be confirmed by the Washington congress. As a matter of fact the secretary said in conclusion, the United States and Canada had already established rates below union rates as have Australia and Germany, and the union has not interfered.

CONFERENCE OF ARCHBISHOPS.

Papal Ablegate Consults With Them at Montreal.

MONTREAL, April 8.—A conference of the archbishops of Canada with the Papal delegate was begun this morning at the archbishop's palace, behind closed doors. The archbishops present were: Mons. Duhmel, of Ottawa; O'Brien, of Halifax; Walsh, of Toronto; and Langevin, of St, Boniface. The archdiocese of Montreal was represented by the administrator and vicar-general Bourgeoult, and Cardinal Taschereau, of Quebec, by his vicar-general. The only absentee, except Mons. Begin, who is in Europe, was Archbishop Cleary, of Kingston. Mgr. del Val is expected to remain here till Monday.

YUKON DETACHMENT.

Northwest Mounted Police Start For the Yukon.

WINNIPEG, April 8.—(Special)—A detachment of the N. W. M. police, under command of Inspector Scarth, left Regina this morning for the Yukon. Their special car was profusely decorated with Union Jacks and a large crowd assembled to give them a send-off and raised three rousing cheers and a tiger as the trained pulled out.

A Point to Remember.

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CANNY AND CAUTIOUS.

Mr. Rithet Displays the Green Light For Victoria Friends of the Kootenay Road.

The Prepared Resolution at Last Night's Meeting Is Practically Negatived.

"Advance With Caution" the Policy to Be Adopted by Victoria Citizens.

In orthodox railroading parlance, Mr. R. P. Rithet showed the green light for the benefit of Victorians at last night's public meeting in the city hall, and acting on the advice to "proceed with caution," the resolution prepared by the promoters of the meeting was set aside, and an amendment of very different tenor unanimously adopted. This was after full and free discussion of the subject in which a large and orderly audience manifested deep interest. Incidentally, Mr. Rithet had something to say in regard to public meetings which appeared to strike a popular chord. He took for his text the requisition, bearing 26 signatures in all, as a result of which the meeting was convened, this document reading thus:

"We, the undersigned ratepayers and citizens of Victoria, desire that Your Worship should call a meeting of the citizens together to discuss the question of aiding the construction of the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company—a line from the Coast to Kootenay—and to discuss matters generally pertaining to railway construction in this province."

Such a requisition as this, it was maintained, left the public entirely in the dark as to the real purpose of the meeting. Surely the petitioners should give some outline of their topic—if it might not after all be desirable to make a public meeting like a money by-law, only obtainable in the event of a certain percentage of the citizens asking for it.

The Original Proposition.

Mayor Redfern being voted to the chair, and Mr. R. L. Drury having been chosen as secretary, the first speaker of the evening was introduced in the person of ex-Mayor John Grant. He prefaced his remarks with the statement that the great question for Victorians to consider at the present time was "what shall we do to be saved"—as a city, and in a purely commercial sense. The answer was undoubtedly "build railways," for without railways how could the rich mines of the province be opened up or its vast areas of agricultural land be made contributory to the support of a large and industriously population? Speaking from personal knowledge of the country, he could testify to the value and extent of its resources, and looking at the question of connection with Kootenay, was it not common sense to favor the direct route? With such a road Victoria would be able to do profitable trade with the upper country—the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern railway appeared to be the most practical project before the public for Victoria, and hence he asked that the citizens of Victoria give the road their support. He quite agreed with His Worship the Mayor that politics should not enter into the discussion of railway affairs. He thought, however, that the governments of the country should be continually reminded of Victoria's rights, and of the fact that the road now favored by the government was unnecessarily indirect, and in concluding his remarks introduced the following resolution:

"Whereas at a meeting held in this hall on the evening of the 26th January last it was unanimously resolved 'that this meeting emphatically urges upon the Provincial and Dominion governments that substantial aid should be given to the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation company, to enable the company to proceed at once with the work herein set forth (having reference to the preamble) and that a copy of this resolution, signed by the mayor, as chairman, and by the secretary, be forwarded to the Dominion and Local governments as well as each member representing this city and district in both the house of commons and the local legislature,' which was done.

"Inasmuch as this local government have submitted to the legislature at this session 'an act to authorize a loan of $2,500,000, for the purpose of aiding the construction of railways and other public works,' and inasmuch as the said act provides only for assistance for the building of a railway from the Coast to Chilliwack, approximately 60 miles, and for a railway from Penticton to the Boundary Creek district, approximately 100 miles, leaving out for consideration and assistance that part of the country lying between Chilliwack and Penticton and that part connecting the Boundary Creek country with Rossland. All of which is set forth in and covered by the provisions of the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern Railway and Navigation Company Act, 1897.

"Therefore be it resolved that in the opinion of this meeting the government have overlooked the absolute importance and necessity of providing in the said act for such assistance as would assure, at an early date, the building of a continuous short line of railway from some point on the coast, by way of Hope, to Rossland, so as to give the best immediate results of the great possibilities existing along the proposed route; and therefore this meeting urges upon the government, that such aid shall be given as will enable the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company to immediately commence and carry out their scheme at the earliest date possible."

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DOMINION ESTIMATES.

Provision Is Made For Placing Steam Launches Upon the Yukon River.

Mail Subsidies Practically the Same Except a Reduction Between Victoria and 'Frisco.

OTTAWA, April 8.—(Special)—From July 1 next the interest on deposits in the post office government savings banks will be reduced from 3½ to 3 per cent. The banks have been urging this step for some time on the ground that the present state of the money market did not justify the government rate, and evidently their representatives have had weight with Fielding, who thereby will save $170,500 annually.

The estimates for the next fiscal year were presented to parliament to-day, showing a nominal decrease over this year of $223,788, but the supplementary estimates to come down will not only wipe out this decrease, but swell the annual expense by probably two millions. On consolidated revenue account there are decreases of nearly $1,600,000. On capital account, however, there is a substantial increase, due to the determination of Mr. Blair to push the St. Lawrence canals to completion. The estimate of expenditure on account of canals chargeable to capital account is an increase of $2,378,472.

Five thousand dollars will be voted for a statue of the Queen in commemoration of the Diamond jubilee, and five thousand for a statue of Alexander Mackenzie. Mail subsidies are practically unchanged except that the Victoria-San Francisco service is further reduced five thousand. Steam launches will be placed on the upper Yukon at a cost of five thousand dollars. Dairying and cold storage has been increased by $80,000. The immigration vote is increased $44,000.

The circuit allowances of judges of British Columbia were increased $1,000; Westminster penitentiary vote was reduced $2,000, and $73,000 is allowed for the Victoria post office. To defray the expenses of exploring and surveying the country lying between the Stikeen river and the source of the Yukon, $6,000 is on the estimates. The customs service to Nelson is increased $3,500; mounted police vote is reduced $145,000. Other items are: Nanaimo harbor, improvements of south channel, $6,000; Columbia river improvements, above Golden, $5,000; Fraser river, improvement of ship channel, $20,000, general repairs and improvements to harbor, river and bridge works, $3,000; Skeena river, $3,500; Columbia river, removal of rock above Revelstoke, $2,000; Duncan river, improvement of, $3,000; Okanagan river, improvement of, $5,000; William Head quarantine, repairs to wharf and improvement of water service, $675.

Mr. Fielding announced forty-two superannuations since the government took office, involving an expenditure of $23,000 a year.

Mr. Charlton's Sunday observance gave the commons a chance to talk to-day the debate on the second reading being closed by the Premier stating that the bill was really within the provincial and not federal jurisdiction. It would interfere with continental interests in so far as it dealt with railway and canal Sunday traffic and he feared it could not be carried out. The second reading carried but the bill it is expected will be killed or dropped.

The Senate passed the address to-day and will adjourn to-morrow until the 27th.

STRUCK IT RICH.

Fourteen Feet of Ore in the Pug Mine With No Hanging Wall Yet.

ROSSLAND, April 8.—(Special)—An important strike is reported in the Pug mine near Waneta, on the line of the Nelson and Fort Sheppard railway. The mine is owned by the Sault Ste. Marie company. A crosscut tunnel was driven in from near the railroad track at a distance of 165 feet when the vein was reached. It has now penetrated the vein 14 feet without reaching the hanging wall. The ore is clean sulphide, showing little or no copper. An assay of $27 has been obtained. The average value of the ore is not known. Unpooled stock has jumped up to 18 cents.

THE BECHUANA ROW.

A British Lieutenant was Killed in the Fighting.

CAPETOWN, April 8.—Further advices regarding the encounter with the Bechuana and the insurgents of Tuesday state that the British troops captured and burned the native town of Camazef at the foot of the Langeberg range of hills. The rebel leader, Galliskwe, who was in command of the natives made a desperate resistance. The losses of the natives were heavy. One British lieutenant was killed.

ONTARIO RAILWAY POLICY.

No Aid This Session to the James Bay Railway Company.

TORONTO, April 8.—(Special)—The Ontario government have decided that, for the present session, they will grant the full limit of statutory aid to the Rainy river road from Port Arthur to Fort Francis. No aid will be given to the James Bay Railway Co.

There are too many people with prematurely gray hair, when they might avoid it by applying that reliable and effective preparation, Hall's Hair Renewer.

English garden trowels at Cheapside. *

FAST ATLANTIC ROUTE.

Sanford Fleming Does Not Think St. Lawrence River Admits Speedy Travel.

Still It Can Be Thirty-Six Hours Ahead of New York Route.

In Mr. Sanford Fleming's second article upon "Our Atlantic Steamship Service," now issued in pamphlet form, he continues his indictment against the St. Lawrence route as dangerous to speedy navigation. Speaking of his first article he says: "Naturally, the conclusion formed by me, that the St. Lawrence route generally is unsuitable for rapid steaming, was not received with satisfaction. I fully share in the disappointment experienced, and gladly welcome a suggestion which if carried into effect would give to the St. Lawrence an ever-increasing proportion of the European passenger business. This suggestion is to combine summer voyages through the placid waters of the gulf and river, with a short passage across the ocean. This object may be accomplished in two ways; in both it is proposed to use only the southern entrance to the gulf. The first proposal is to run fast steamships between Quebec and Liverpool, and with the view of expediting the mails and accommodating passengers from the Maritime provinces and Eastern states, to make Sydney a port of call. The steamships to run at full speed between Sydney and Liverpool. Between Quebec and Sydney the speed to be reduced as circumstances may require. The second proposal is to divide the voyage into two distinct parts, one extending over the ocean proper from Sydney to the most eligible port in Great Britain, the other embracing the river and gulf; on the former, fast steamships constructed specially for carrying only passengers and mails to be employed, on the latter, steamers of less speed than the ocean steamships, and suitable for the navigation of the gulf and river, to be placed on the route. The remarks which follow will refer chiefly to the second proposal, as on examination it will be found on economic grounds to be entitled to the preference. With the view of making the proposal clear, I may explain that Sydney is on a well-sheltered inlet of the open Atlantic, directly outside the southern entrance to the Gulf of St. Lawrence. It is conveniently situated for vessels passing between Quebec and Liverpool by the Cabot Straits. The geographical position of Sydney is in other respects important. It is the extreme eastern terminus of the Intercolonial Railway, and with the exception of the channel about a mile wide, known as the Gut of Canso (now crossed by a steam railway ferry), Sydney is in unbroken railway connection with Halifax, St. John, Quebec, Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver. The fact that Sydney is eight hundred and sixty nautical miles nearer Liverpool than New York, itself indicates that with steamships of equal speed the ocean passage can be made to and from Sydney in nearly two days less than to and from New York.

The suggestion to follow the St. Lawrence from Sydney to Quebec does not involve the necessity of running at any unsafe speed in the Gulf or river St. Lawrence. As the mails can be conveyed to and from Sydney by railway much faster than by water, passengers only would go by the river and Gulf, and there would be no pressure from the post office department to accelerate the movement of the river steamers. The one object of the captain in command would be the safety and comfort of his passengers.

These steamers meeting at Sydney, would during the summer months constitute a passenger line of the highest class between Quebec and Liverpool. At the end of the season the river boats would be laid up and the ocean steamships would extend their voyages to Halifax. On the opening of navigation in each new season and the disappearance of ice on the route to Sydney, the fast steamships would be withdrawn from the Halifax route and placed on the Sydney route. In the first part of the summer it would be expedient for them to follow a southern course across the banks of Newfoundland, as the New York ships do, in order to keep at a safe distance from icebergs and obviate all chance of delay.

'In making a comparison between routes it is necessary to bear in mind that the reported passages from New York to Liverpool are misleading. The passage is reckoned from Sandy Hook Lightship to Daunt's Rock. The former is outside New York harbor, and if tide and weather be favorable it may be reached from New York in two hours, but under unfavorable conditions it may take twelve hours or more. On the other side of the Atlantic 'Daunt's Rock' is two hundred and twenty-eight miles from the bar at the entrance of Liverpool harbor. These facts go to show that it is impossible to accept the time given in the press reports as the actual time required to make the passage from land to land. One may make a just comparison between the proposed mail route via Sydney and the route via New York, if we take a common point in Canada such as Montreal, and a common point in England such as London—reckoning equal steamship speed in both cases and making all reasonable allowances for delays:

VIA NEW YORK.

	Hours.
Montreal to New York, railway	15
Average delay in New York, say	10
New York to Sandy Hook, say	2
Sandy Hook to Liverpool Bar, 3,036 miles, at 20 knots	152
Delay between Bar and railway, Liverpool	3
Liverpool to London, railway	4
	186

Equals 7 days 18 hours from Montreal to London.

VIA SYDNEY.

	Hours.
Montreal to Sydney, railway, 898 miles	30
Delay at Sydney	2
Sydney to Loch Ryan, 2,160 miles	108
Delay at Loch Ryan	2
Loch Ryan to London	8
	150

Equals 6 days 6 hours from Montreal to London.

'This comparison brings out very clearly that the proposed route via Sydney would be an excellent mail route, as according to the above letters could be carried between Montreal and London, on an average, in thirty-six hours less than via New York.'

Mr. Fleming concludes: 'In view of these advantages and the yearly increasing development of trans-Atlantic passenger traffic, it does not seem an unreasonable conclusion, that once fairly established, the route via Sydney would prove successful, and that in course of years the number of steamers would require to be multiplied so that this route would partake of the character of a Canadian ferry. Transatlantic passenger traffic increases at a rapid rate, and every new facility promotes its increase. Beginning with a weekly line, on a route which narrows the Atlantic to the shortest compass, as time goes on and further improvements in ship-building are introduced, more frequent sailings would be demanded. Firmly impressed with these views, I see nothing to prevent the new Canadian route resulting eventually in a daily ferry connecting the two continents."—Montreal Witness.

STANDARD OIL.

Enormous Dividends Make the Stock Jump at a Lively Rate.

NEW YORK, April 8.—The Standard Oil is supplying Wall street with the biggest boom of the year. Since Saturday its certificates have jumped in value no less than nineteen points, and no one knows what the top notch quotation will be. Of the secrets of Standard Oil the street knows nothing. It makes no reports, its profits are divided in its own way, and all that the public is permitted to know is that on irregular dates the word goes forth that Standard Oil has declared a dividend of 10 or 15 per cent. The closing bid on the curb yesterday—the certificates are not listed on the exchange—was 290. On Saturday it was 274, and 294 is the top notch price for the stock.

Standard Oil last year paid 31 per cent. in dividends on a capitalization of $9,000,000. This means that the enormous profit of $2,790,000 was distributed. So far this year 10 per cent. has been paid, on March 15. Another big dividend will probably come in June. Whether it will be for 10, 15 or 20 per cent. no one knows.

APPLES THAT RIPEN SLOWLY.

"I ask my readers," says a recent medical writer, "to try *for their own sakes* to master the essentials of the digestive functions."

He speaks in a somewhat impatient tone, as though he were weary of explaining details which can really be understood only by those who apprehend broad principles whereon they rest. Let the doctor not fret over the slowness with the apples ripen on the tree of knowledge. It has always been so. Come to think of it, the wonder is how most of us ever managed to pick up our A, B, C's. Being one of these slow fellows myself, I can talk this way without giving offence.

If Mr. Austerberry, for instance, had as close an acquaintance with the human body as pathologists have, he would not have been so rattled and upset about that illness of his.

"In August, 1894," he says, "I commenced to suffer with severe pains in the head. They began at the back of the head and worked up to the top and over the eyes. During the time these attacks were on I was almost frantic with pain. They took all the life and courage out of me, and I lost a deal of time on account of them; for when I suffered in that way it stands to reason I couldn't work. Often and often when I got back from my work I had to go straight to bed. For over three months I remained in this condition, not knowing what ailed me nor what to do for it. None of our home remedies did any gook. Then I consulted two doctors, one after the other but neither of them was able to help me. In Dec., 1894, I heard of Mother Seigel's Syrup and got a bottle from the Co-operative Stores in Gladwick Road. After taking it two days I was immediately relieved; all my pains were easier. When I had finished the bottle I was cured, and have since felt nothing of my dreadful ailment. I am grateful to you for the benefit I have received from your remarkable remedy, and wish other sufferers to know of it. (Signed) J Austerberry, 33 Kersley street, Greengate street, Oldham, Feb., 23rd, 1895.

Now if our good friend had understood the nature of the nervous system, he would have been familiar with the fact that the seat of pain by no means decides the seat of the disease or lesion which *causes* the pain. Because one has a persistent pain in the head we are not to conclude hastily that there is any local disorder in the head. Nothing whatever ailed Mr. Austerberry's head; the trouble was with his *digestion*, as is proved by Mother Seigel's Syrup having cured it. The mischievous influence proceeded from the stomach, disturbed the great sensory nerves, and made its chief impact on the brain. As soon as the diseased state of the stomach was overcome by the Syrup the head became quiet, as the sea does when the wind stops blowing. Plenty of other pains arise and fall for the same reason. Let Mr. Austerberry and you also, my intelligent reader—make a note of it.

"For several years," says another, "I had a deal of pain at the chest, often so bad I could scarcely bear it. I was very languid and heavy, too, and whilst able to get about, I was never properly well. The least particle of fat or rich food made me sick, and I frequently threw up what I had eaten. In March (1894) a friend told me about Mother Seigel's Syrup having cured so many cases like mine, and I at once bought a bottle of Mr. Bloor, the chemist. After taking it a short time I felt great relief and was soon entirely cured. All the sickness and pain at the chest passed away and by taking an occasional dose I keep in the best of health. (Signed) Mrs. Jane Ribbin, High street, Mansfield Woodhouse Notts, March 15th, 1895."

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

A Small Number of Vancouverites Discuss the Railway Policy and Pass Resolutions.

Texada Has Lasqueti Island For a Mine Partner—Kootenay's Trade Grows.

VANCOUVER, April 8.—(Special)—Mr. C. C. Eldridge has been appointed by the minister of agriculture to collect an exhibit of the products of British Columbia industries for the World's fair at Stockholm.

The women's ward of the city hospital has been decided upon and the city engineer has submitted the plans to the health committee. The new structure will be large and commodies and will be built between the two buildings on the present site.

The public meeting here last night under the chairmanship of Mayor Templeton was very thinly attended, only 140 persons being present, including those interested in the proposed Victoria Vancouver & Eastern railway scheme. The principal speakers were Mr. McLean, the secretary of the company, Ald. McQueen, Mr. A. H. B. McGowan and Dr. Carroll. The line taken by the speakers was that the short line road proposed between the Coast and Kootenay should receive a subsidy of at least $1,000,000 or a yearly guarantee of $150,000 for a period of years. Strong attacks were made on the proposal to aid the railroad between Bute Inlet and Quesnelle, and that to aid Mr. Heinze's railroad between Penticton and Boundary creek. This last railroad proposal would, it was contended, play directly into the hands of the C.P.R. monopoly. Mr. A. K. H. McFarlane, whose remarks were not so favorably received as those of the other speakers, wanted to know how much the syndicate had put into the scheme and what guarantees they wanted from the government? He also suggested that the provincial government and the various municipalities might combine in guaranteeing interest for the proposed road. He was against the government's proposals, but thought that safeguards were wanted and conditions securing the public interests in regard to the coast syndicate scheme. Such appeared to be the general tenor of Mr. McFarlane's remarks, but frequent interruptions rendered him at times almost inaudible and he was ultimately compelled to sit down without finishing his remarks. Resolutions were then carried urging the government either to modify in favor of the Coast, Victoria, Vancouver and Eastern railway or else withdraw the prescat railroad subsidy bill, and also endorsing the action taken by the city council in appointing a delegation to Victoria.

Welcome news has come from the Alpha Bell mine. A very fine ledge ten feet wide has just been exposed running across the claim. The rock, which is very rich, has been sent to town for assay.

There is a steady stream of prospectors into the Harrison Lake country and when the snow goes times will be lively around Harrison.

Major Bennett has received a wire authorizing him to take part in the Queen's Jubilee, with ten militiamen to represent British Columbia.

John R. Brown, of Harrison Hot Springs, thought to have been lost in a snow slide in the Harrison mountains, returned home safe yesterday after a very hard trip.

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, April 8.—(Special.)—H. P. McMurray, first mate of the ship Oriental, now at Departure Bay, who fell down the hold last Friday died from his injuries yesterday. Coroner Davis ordered an inquest to-day, but adjourned it until to-morrow, to allow a post mortem to be made. Deceased was a native of New York and aged 56.

The hospital board have decided to celebrate the Queen's diamond jubilee by the erection of a woman's ward at Nanaimo hospital. The plans drawn up by James Kelly were adopted, and he was directed to prepare specifications for the building.

Messrs. Barker and Potts filed a petition in the County court to-day on behalf of John Smith, a creditor, for the compulsory closing up of the Nanaimo Equitable Pioneer Society on the ground of its inability to meet its liabilities in full.

A despatch from Union reports the residence of Steven Dowell was burned to the ground this morning. The house was empty, the family being away. The other buildings escaped but with a scorching. Origin of the fire is unknown. Building was partly covered by insurance.

Mr. Wm. Cheney returned from a prospecting trip to Lasqueti island, yesterday. He reports that several ledges have been discovered on Lasqueti island, and that he had staked off a claim himself. The ledge starts near the beach at False Bay and extends inland. An assay of rock, near the beach, shows $16 in gold and $11 in silver, and a fair percentage of copper. Lasqueti island is situated in the Gulf of Georgia, between Texada and Vancouver islands. Some prospecting was done on this island in the sixties.—Free Press.

NELSON.

The imports and exports and revenue collected at the port of Nelson during the month of March, amounted to:

Port of Nelson.	Value of Imports.	Duty Collected.
Dutiable goods	$118,026	$32,386.62
Free goods	25,860	60.96
Total	$143,886	$32,447.58

Value of Exports.

The mines (5084 tons of ore)	$322,082.00
Copper matte (738 tons)	354,599.00
Animals and their produce	230,00
Manufacturers	1,904.00
Total	$679,815.00

It will be noticed that the value of dutiable goods imported during the past month was $118,026 as compared with $43,446 for the corresponding month of 1896. The duty collected was $25,860, as compared with $13,256.10 for March, 1896.—Tribune.

During the past week there was entered at the port of Nelson for export ore and matte of the value of $260,330, of which $212,485 was entered during the first three days of the present month. The value of the mineral exports for the month of March is given by Collector Johnstone as $677,681, which is the highest in the history of West Kootenay. These figures do not include the ore exported from the Slocan via Revelstoke during the month.—Tribune.

Engineer Perry, of the Canadian Pacific, has started work on the new wharves and buildings to be constructed on the lake at Rosebery, New Denver, Slocan City, Silverton and Ten-Mile. Gangs of men are to start work at Rosebery and New Denver at once, and when these places are provided with suitable wharfage accommodation for the big boats then the other points will receive their attention.—Tribune.

The Reco Mining and Milling Company, Ltd., who are operating the famous Reco mine, one and one-half miles from Sandon, are intending to put up a double rope aerial tramway and an 120-ton concentrator. In 1894, with six men, ore to the value of $7,500 was taken out of this mine, in 1895 with from eight to twenty men, $41,787; last year with 50 men, $62,073, and up to date this year $124,000. They ship a carload, or 20 tons, every two days, which brings in $4,000 net profit. One carload cleared $10,000. The ore is produced from a lead which does not average more than four inches of clear ore.—Tribune.

REVELSTOKE.

REVELSTOKE, April 5.—The following are shipments of ore through Revelstoke since last report:

	Tons.	Value.	Dest'n.
Idaho	110	11,310	Omaha.
Hustler	20	2,855	"
Slocan Star	40	3,834	"
Total	170	$17,999	

WHERE IS THE MINE?

An Indefinite Description of a Mineral Location.

News was received by John Hardee in this city yesterday which demonstrates that in the diggings of British Columbia is to be found some of the best class of ore that exists in any portion of the globe, says the Salt Lake Tribune. The letter bears the signature of Joseph H. Farnum, who has a large circle of friends in this city, but who has been purchasing bonanzas in British Columbia for the last five years. Mr. Hardee was his companion in that expedition and together they located a placer as well as a number of lode claims, the exploration of which has been going forward steadily. The claims are some 200 miles from the Canadian Pacific railroad, but that fact has not discouraged the owners, and they have gone along until at this time several hundred feet of work has been done. In addition to the lode claims, the gentlemen "take in" a placer, and it is this, writes Mr. Farnum, that has made it possible for them to continue work on the lode claims The representative of an English syndicate, he writes, has sought an option on the ground which is known as the Hudson Bay, in which he undertakes to pay $250,000, but this has been refused, and the original locators will continue with their explorations. It is claimed in the letter that already exposed there are 30 feet of ore that will yield a handsome profit, and the owners rely on the placer to provide the means with which to put up a mill the present season. The placer ground is referred to as one of the richest bars that have been encountered in the northern country, and as soon as the snow is removed Mr. Hardee will leave for the camp.—Spokesman-Review.

WAKENING UP.

Stocks Beginning to Feel the Genial Spring Weather.

NEW YORK, April 8.—An unmistakable improvement in the tone of the market for stocks appeared to-day, over that which has prevailed of late. The market was not active, but there was good buying in many stocks, and the general list was firm, the heavy liquidation in a number of stocks which has been a depressing influence having apparently come to an end, for the time being at least. The general average price was higher at the close than at last night's close.

Closing quotations: C. P., 51; B. O., 13½; Can. Sou. O. R. I., 63⅜; C. M. St. P., 73½; C. C., 30¾; D. L. & W., 152½; D. & H., 104¾; J. C., 70⅝; L. E. & W., 14; L. S., 165½; L. N., 46⅛; N. P. Com, 12⅞; do. Pfd., 36⅞; N.Y.C., 100¼; W. U., 82¼.

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THE PROPOSED BY-LAWS.

On Wednesday next two important by-laws will be submitted to the electors of Victoria. One provides for a grant of $2,500 for the public library. It authorizes the employment of an assistant librarian, but we understand that there is no intention to employ one, although it was deemed advisable for the city council to ask for authority to make the appointment in case it should be necessary. The expectation is that only a small portion of the sum mentioned in the by-law will be expended this year. Next year there would be an outlay of about $1,000 for new books, and this, it is thought, would put the library in very good condition. The remainder of the amount would be spent in keeping the institution up to date and the payments would be extended over a series of years. The library is very well patronized, although it is not in by any means a satisfactory condition. It is an exceedingly useful institution and we hope the taxpayers will decide on Wednesday next to put the council in a position to make it what it ought to be. It is very economically managed and there is probably no city institution out of which the taxpayers receive more value for the small sum expended.

The other by-law is to authorize the borrowing of $17,000 for the use of the Board of School Trustees. The object of the loan is to put the High school in a proper condition from a sanitary point of view and otherwise. So far as we have been able to gather from what is said on the public streets on this subject there is a singular lack of comprehension of it on the part of the people. It may be fairly said that if the expenditure is needed and the amount asked is sufficient to make the High school what it ought to be, the money will be very promptly voted by the people. The school trustees seem to have contented themselves with asking to have the by-law submitted and to be willing to trust to the taxpayers being able to evolve from their inner consciousness the reasons why it should be adopted. Having asked the taxpayers to vote the money the trustees would not exceed their duty if they would take the earliest possible opportunity to present to the public the reasons why the amount should be voted. If this is not done there is great danger that the by-law will be defeated. We are inclined to think that it ought to be carried, but would like further information on the subject.

A POINT OF ORDER.

A point arose in the legislature in connection with Mr. Cotton's resolution regarding the mortgage tax and Torrens land registry system that is worth a little discussion. Mr. Booth moved that the further consideration of the resolution be postponed to that day three months, and Mr. Speaker ruled that under such a motion it was not competent for a member to speak to the merits of the question, citing May as authority. May lays down that on the motion to adjourn a debate there shall be no discussion of the merits; but Mr. Booth's motion was not for the adjournment of the debate. It was a motion to throw the whole consideration of the question over for the present session, and therefore did not come within the class of motions referred to by May. Dr. Walkem really struck the main principle of the point of order when he said that the house must look to the object of the motion, which was not that the question might be taken up again at a later date, but that it should not be taken up again at all. It seems very obvious that there can be no intelligent discussion of a motion to postpone consideration for three months, unless the merits of the proposition under consideration can be gone into. It might well be that the very essence of the proposition consists in its peremptory character, and therefore the best possible reason against postponment would be that delay would defeat its object. It might be that the reason for postponment might be that the questions involved are of such a nature that the house is not in a position to deal intelligently with them. It might be that the reasons against postponment are to be found in the merits of the resolution. Hence we think Mr. Speaker was wrong in his application of the rule. The matter is of very great importance and more in the interest of the minority than the majority. The government might shut off the discussion of every resolution moved by the opposition by moving a postponment for three months. If Mr. Speaker's ruling in this case becomes a precedent the opposition may find that they have been cutting a rod for their own backs.

CANADA AT THE JUBILEE.

It is certainly to be hoped that Mr. Laurier will be able to attend the jubilee celebration and take with him a fine representative detachment of Canadian soldiery. We find no stronger advocates of this idea than the Conservative papers in the East, which, on this question, have sunk all party feeling out of sight and hope to see the Dominion represented at London in a manner that will befit the dignity and loyalty of the premier colony. It is said to be the intention of the commissioners of the celebration to give the Canadian First Minister marked distinction in recognition of the fact that the Dominion is the only federated portion of the British Empire. The idea has been advanced that the provincial premiers should also be present in London, but we fancy this will hardly be acted on.

A representation worthy of the Dominion is all the more important because it is very likely that tariff legislation at the present session of parliament will be of a nature to promote trade with the United kingdom. It is also desirable because the attention of the British people is being drawn towards Canada as never before. When one finds in the London Times appreciative references to the mines of Ontario, British Columbia and the Yukon, he may make up his mind that we are on the eve of a growing interest in our resources which will mean much in a material sense for this country.

But this is not all. It is fitting that Canada should be well represented at the jubilee celebration as a mark of the loyalty of this broad Dominion to the British flag and of the esteem and love which our people feel towards Her Most Gracious Majesty. The Queen has no more loyal subjects anywhere than are found in Canada. In no part of the world are liberty and equality so much the common lot of all men than here. We call ourselves subjects, but the subjection is a willing one. It is a mark of honor not a badge of servitude. Canada desires to mark her appreciation of the constitutional government of the sovereign and her love for the noble lady who for sixty years has almost typified in her life the maxim, which claims that the crown can do nothing wrong.

We print a letter from Mr. J. C. McLagan of the Vancouver World, denying that he is interested in the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company. As we never stated that he was, we are unable to comply with his request to retract the statement attributed to us. What we did say, was, that he was engaged in promoting a road from the Coast to Kootenay. This was a matter of common report, and it was on the strength of that report that we made the above reference. We think Mr. McLagan has gone to a great deal of unnecessary trouble in getting a certificate of the secretary of the company that he is not interested in it, for his own word would have been ample proof, and in having the secretary certify that he has not been paid or promised pay for his support, for no one ever intimated anything of the kind. We did not say that Mr. McLagan might not properly be interested in the promotion of such a line of railway, but only that as he was, that fact ought to be considered in connection with his arguments. Does Mr. McLagan desire his letters to be understood as denying that he is or has been concerned in promoting a line from the Coast to Kootenay? If so, we will accept his word for it.

WHEN any of the self-styled reformers of that day used to come to Lord Melbourne, Queen Victoria's first premier, with their complaints about everything being wrong and ask him what they were going to do about it, he used to answer: "Why can't you let it alone?" It seems to us that there are certain members of the local legislature who might very well adopt this as their motto. They act as if they were afflicted with political fleas, so restless are they, so desirous are they to twist everything round so as to have it some other way from what it now is. Half the changes that are suggested in the legislature are not reforms. The first governor of New Brunswick, Sir Thomas Carleton, in his speech at the opening of the second session of the first legislature, said: "You passed a good many statutes at your last session and as it is more advisable that the people should grow accustomed to the laws and learn to understand them than that there should be frequent changes, I advise you to pass as few new measures as possible at your present session." Wise Sir Thomas.

EITHER there is an epidemic of lying among the papers in the Western States, which is not wholly outside the bounds of probability, or there is an unsolved mystery floating around in the nature of an airship, which moves only at night. It floated first around Oakland, Cal.; then it put in an appearance near Denver, and when last heard from was at Topeka, Kansas. It is said to be cigar-shaped and carries a brilliant head-light. No one has seen it by day, that is no one who will tell anything about it. The people who testify to having seen it at night are numbered by hundreds, including Governor Leedy of Kansas. It is rather unsatisfactory to stop a story at this point; but practically this is all there is to tell.

THE proposal to repeal the Dominion franchise bill and permit the several provinces to fix the franchise for federal as well as local elections is justifiable on the ground of economy and because it is in keeping with the maintenance of provincial rights. Our impression is that the Conservative government never really liked the law; but having introduced it and carried it into effect did not like to repeal it in the face of the demands of the opposition, for that would look too much like a surrender. So far as the actual right to vote goes, the proposed change will hardly affect any one in this Province.

AN outbreak of natives is reported from the neighborhood of Delagoa Bay. The Limpopo river, in which the uprising has taken place, forms the northern boundary of the Transvaal, but its lower course is through the Portuguese territory of Gasaland. It enters the sea some miles north of Delagoa Bay. The statement is made that Great Britain has leased the bay from Portugal. Kuruman, in Bechuanaland, from which severe fighting is reported, lies not very far from the frontier of Cape Colony.

MOST amiable evening contemporary, if you will kindly formulate all the unpleasant things you would like to say of the COLONIST and its editor into a readable paragraph, we will be pleased to print it in order that your views on this very important matter may have some publicity and also that the public may form some idea of your gigantic grasp of public questions. You remind us of the boy at school who said to his companion: "I know I can't lick you, but I can make faces at your sister."

THERE was a discussion in the United States Senate the other day in the course of which a resolution was moved to condemn the general policy of Great Britain. The dispatches say that the galleries applauded when one speaker attacked the British government for its attitude on the Cretan question. Probably in no other deliberative assembly in the world could such monkeyshines have occurred, but the Senate of the United States is fast ceasing to be a deliberative assembly.

IN view of its pretended belief that "the editor of the COLONIST and his political masters" are persons of no account anyway, it is passing strange that the Times cannot find something else to talk about.

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His Partner (excitedly)—Our reputation is ruined. Some idiot has washed the windows.—New York paper.

"Doorkeepers and gatekeepers have always been a mean lot."

"Is that so?"

"Yes; you remember how they wouldn't give Adam and Eve a return check."—Chicago Record.

"Did you say that boy of yours was ambitious?"

"Ambitious! Well, I should say! Why that boy does nothing but sit around all day and thinks of the great things he's going to do!"—Philadelphia North American.

Reggie—My prospects of winning that wealthy Miss Billious are ruined.

Chollie—What has happened?

Reggie—I told her I would send her a bunch of roses to match those of her cheeks, and the idiotic florist sent yellow ones.—New York Journal.

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CANADA AT THE JUBILEE.

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OUR LIBERAL MINING LAWS.

It would certainly seem that the mining laws of British Columbia are sufficiently easy for any well meaning person to comply with, instead of resorting to subterfuge and questionable tricks to defeat legal provisions.—Nelson Tribune.

A NELSON VIEW.

As there can be no question concerning the great value of the mineral deposits in the vicinity of Boundary Creek, the extension of the Shuswap and Okanogan line to that district cannot be accomplished too soon. Its construction is worthy of the reasonable assistance which the government proposes to give.—Nelson Miner.

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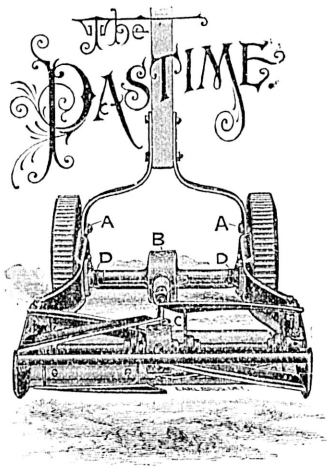

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THE CITY.

GUNNER JAMES won the Cleveland bicycle raffled at the Wilson hotel on Wednesday evening.

OLIVER'S hall was the scene last evening of the regular weekly dance and social of the Scandinavian Valhalla.

REV. CANON BEANLANDS will deliver the last of his course of lectures on the Lord's Tenth at the Y.M.C.A. rooms this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

YUKON trade and numerous other matters of important business will receive consideration at a quarterly general meeting of the Board of Trade this afternoon.

A NEW and promising industry, the manufacture of artificial manures, has been added to their programme by the Victoria Chemical Co. Wholesale sales of chemical fertilizers are to be made a specialty.

THE local branch of the Bank of Montreal has received instructions to receive and remit to headquarters subscriptions towards the fund to defray the expenses of sending the Canadian Jubilee Regiment to England.

MESSRS. W. A. Galliher of Rossland, and A. D. Crease of this city, were yesterday sworn in as barristers and solicitors before Mr. Justice Drake, Mr. C. J. Prior being at the same time admitted to practice as a solicitor.

CHARLES T. H. ADAIR has redeemed his promise to waive all formalities and return to Australia by the Warrimoo to-day. His escort will be Special Constable Charles Frost, and his plea will be guilty with a prayer for mercy.

THE practice of the hockey club on Wednesday afternoon was splendidly supported by members, and a most encouraging game resulted. All the players are in fine condition, and the teams selected to represent Victoria in the foreign matches should render a good account of themselves. The next club game is on Saturday at 3:30 o'clock, and a ladies game will be played at Oak Bay to-day at 4:30 o'clock.

ATTRACTIONS for Easter Monday continue to grow in number, still another entertainment being announced in the form of an athletic tournament in which fencing, club swinging, etc., will be exemplified by the most capable local gymnasium stars. As a crowning feature there will be a ten-round contest for points between Dick Case, whose abilities are well-known throughout British Columbia, and "Prof." Egan—no relation of Martin J.—also a decidedly clever illustrator of the science of self-defence.

UNHERALDED and unbidden the impudent little English sparrow has taken possession of Victoria. Half a dozen or more of the genuine Cockneys were the observed of everyone passing the Five Sisters block yesterday, and if half a dozen are here now, the natural sequence will be half a million or more before many months. The sparrow elsewhere in Canada has proved himself a noisy, dirty, generally detested little chap, although a good scavenger. While the hackstand remains on Government street he may prove a blessing in disguise to Victorians.

THE Pastime Amateur Dramatic Society are busy rehearsing "A Fool's Illustration," which was written specially for presentation here by F. W. Kelly, one of the members. The society expect to put on the play very shortly, under the stage management of Mr. R. Hutchison and with a clever company of actors. Since their last public performance the composition of the organization has completely changed, the members of the cast now being: George Chase, F. M. Kelly, Charles Crane, H. Bechtel, D. McLeod, R. Hutchison, B. B. Semple, P. Murphy, R. Geary, D. Saunders, A. Hallet, Miss Copeland, Miss N. Murphy and Miss L. Dewar.

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DOG fanciers have a new object of admiration in a majestic pure bred collie, Clinton Zoe, that arrived from the East yesterday morning—a present to Mr. J. Fletcher. The handsome stranger is now at the Mount Tolmie kennels.

THE concert given in the A. O. U. W. hall last evening to liquidate the indebtedness of the Capital Lacrosse club was largely, if not totally, successful in its object, judging from the good attendance present. Space forbids reference to the programme in detail, and it is perhaps sufficient to say that every number merited well the plaudits given it—not forgetting Master Milton Douglas in his character dances.

A PRIVATE letter received from Commissioner Herchmer of the Northwest mounted police at Regina states that the assistant commissioner, an inspector and 21 of the non com. officers and constables would leave there yesterday en route to the Yukon. They expect to make connections here on the 14th inst. with the northern-bound boat, and should they meet with no delays, will reach the Coast in about three days.

A DELEGATION from Vancouver and New Westminster came over last night and will see the government to-day regarding the railway bill. The delegation is composed of Mayor Shiles, Ald. Ovens, representing the city fathers, and Marshall Sinclair and W. H. Keary, of the board of trade, Westminster; Mayor Templeton and Aldermen McQueen, Shaw and Glendening, of the Vancouver council, J. C. McLagan, manager of the Vancouver World, representing the Terminal City board of trade; and Norman McLean, secretary of the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern railroad.

THE anticipated verdict, "found drowned," was yesterday returned by the Coroner's jury in the Frank la Rochelle case, neither George Lasker, Fred. McDonald nor any other of the witnesses examined yesterday being able to throw light upon the mystery of the young man's death. Lasker told in his testimony of an attempt made to secure hasty record of a transfer of a claim held in la Rochelle's name, but in which he was interested, before it was known for a fact that la Rochelle was dead. This matter will probobly be material for an interesting law suit later on—it did not assist the Coroner, however.

THIS evening at eight o'clock there will be a Basket ball match between Nos. two and three companies of the Fifth Regiment at the drill hall. The public are cordially invited and no admission will be charged. Col. Gregory has himself consented to act as referee, and the following are the teams: No. 2 company—Defence, Sergt. Patton and Bomb. Fox; centre, Gunner Kane; and home, Sergeant-Major Northcott (Captains), Bomb. Richardson, Gunner Daniels and Corporal Hartnagle. No. 3 company—Defence, Bomb. Lorimer and (Captain), Gunner Storey; centre, Gunner Lorrimer; and home, Corporal Merryfield and Gunner Adams, R. Dalby and Austin.

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It was early yesterday morning when the Empress of Japan left quarantine for Vancouver. The usual troubles in handling the Chinese passengers at the station had been experienced, and in consequence the detention. Her mails for Victoria did not reach the post office until sometime during the morning, but they contained very little information of general interest. No news was received from the sealers that have crossed to Japan from here, but even if there had been it would have been quite unexpected, as the majority of sealing men at home do not look for anything from the absent fleet before June. The vessels go straight to the sealing grounds from Victoria and will not enter any Japanese port except in cases of necessity, as the expenses generally involved are too great to be borne this year. A Japanese paper received by the Empress says that the Mikado's Government has come to the conclusion that it cannot subsidize the Nippon Yusen Kaisha this year, owing to the lack of funds. It promises its support, however, next year.

THE "RAINBOW" RESPLENDENT.

After a complete renovation and painting, the C.P.N. steamer Rainbow reenters service this evening, taking the place of the old and busy Maude on the new Island route which the company are commendably endeavoring to establish. Capt. Goss is to take charge of the vessel, while Capt. Foot will continue to operate the Maude. The collier vessel, after discharging coal yesterday, went to the outer wharf and loaded a quantity of tin, a boiler and some machinery for the Dease Island Canning company on the Fraser. The cannery is a new one and is represented here by Findley, Durham and Brodie.

OIL FOR THE ANTIPODES.

Two hundred cases of dog-fish oil for the Australian market go forward on the steamship Warrimoo which sails for the antipodes this morning. This is about the only freight that the ship will receive here on her arrival from Vancouver outward. The passengers who embark here are C. G. Jacques, who is returning to Honolulu from a short visit to Victoria, C. Frost, the ex-police officer of the Honolulu force; N. K. Smythe, Mrs. A. F. Berryhill, P. Folger, L. Folger Miss H. R. Folger, Thos. Jayner, Mrs. R. L. Boxley, and Master Boxley, of Seattle.

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INTERESTING LECTURE ON INDIA

Dr. McKellar Talks of Affairs in the Land of the Mogul.

The lecture room of the St. Andrew's Presbyterian church was filled with a gathering last evening that manifested a keen interest in the lecture on Central India, delivered by Mrs. Dr. McKellar, of the Presbyterian mission in that remote part of the world. She spoke of the country and work of the mission. There was, she said, a population of two hundred and eighty millions Their religion were Hinduism, Brahmanism, Parseeism and Mahometanism, there being more Mahometans in the country than in Turkey. She described the climatic, soil and lastly the cause of the famine. Central India, the speaker stated, could well supply all the wheat needed to sustain the famine stricken districts but the British government a few years ago decided, on recommendation of a royal commission, that they could not do without the revenue to be derived from the opium trade. Hence the country that ought to supply bread is given over to the cultivation of the poppy, and many times more money than that received from opium duties must now be spent in the not altogether successful attempt to preserve the lives of the hungry. Though not having any work in those districts the missionaries of the Presbyterian church in Canada made an effort to care for the children deserted by parents under stress of famine. Already ninety of such children have been received in the mission station. Besides evangelistic work carried on in the towns, villages and country places, six large cities have churches, schools and hospitals, the college corriculum leading to B.A. and M.A. degrees at Indore having alone 400 students. Dr. McKellar is accompanied by Miss Ramsay of the English Presbyterian mission at Amoy, China, and both are on a furlough.

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A MISLEADING STATEMENT.

TO THE EDITOR:—I observe by your leading article in the COLONIST of this morning that you assert that the hostility of the World to the government's railway aid bill, as it concerns the Bute Inlet-Quesnelle project, is based upon the fact that I am pecuniarly interested as a promoter in the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern Railway and Navigation Co. or the direct road into Kootenay scheme, and that my being so must necessarily detract from the force of the arguments made use of, or set forth, in the World in discussing the subject. How you came to resort to the use of such statements I cannot understand. Your doing so, however, I hope was in ignorance of the actual facts. Permit me to say that I am not now, nor is any one, so far as known to me, connected with the World, either directly or indirectly, nor have I ever been in any manner shape or form connected with or interested in the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Co., nor do I expect either by myself or in any other way whatsover to be otherwise interested in the scheme than as a citizen of this province. I now, as I always have done, believe the undertaking to be not only a provincial but a national enterprise, which deserves the very greatest of encouragement at the hands of the provincial and federal governments. As the attack on your part was an entirely unwarranted one, and the motives impugned contrary to the facts I believe I am not asking too much that you insert this denial, and further that you make through your editorial columns a retraction of the misleading statements I am thus referring to. The attached letter will further verify my assertions. So far as the other matters you refer to in the drticle are concerned, I will have the pleasure of analvizing same and pointing out to you many of the weakness and likewise misleading statements contained therein.

Faithfully yours,
J. C. MCLAGAN.

Victoria, April 8, 1897.

EDITOR WORLD:—Dear Sir: In reference to the charge made in the leading editorial article of the COLONIST of this morning that J. C. McLagan, manager of the Vancouver World, was interested as a promoter in the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company, Ltd., I have to state, as secretary of the said company and possessing a full knowledge of its affairs since its inception, that neither directly or indirectly is Mr. McLagan interested pecuniarly therein, nor has he been paid or promised anything for the support which he has given to the aforesaid company. All that he has done has been entirely voluntary and that of a disinterested, but patriotic, progressive and enterprising citizen and publisher.

Yours, respectfully,
NORMAN MCLEAN,
Secretary V. V. & E. Ry. & N. Co.
Vancouver, April 8, 1897.

PERSONAL.

Thomas Johnson and Charles M. Johnson, of Tacoma, are at the Driard.

Lieut.-Colonel Wright, of North Bend, was among those registering at the Driard last evening.

Charles Wilson and wife, Arthur Wheeler and wife, and H. P. Shaw, Vancouver; and M. Sinclair, New Westminster, are registered at the Driard.

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Third Session of the Seventh Parliament.

FORTY-FIRST DAY.

THURSDAY, April 8, 1897.

The Speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock.

Prayers were read by the Rev. Bilton Haslam.

Mr. Williams moved for all papers, letters and writings relating to the security required to be deposited by the Columbia and Western Railway Company under section 3 of the Columbia and Western Railway Subsidy Act, 1896, and all orders in council relating thereto.

This was agreed to.

Mr. Forster moved for a return showing the amount of money received from the government and the services rendered for such amounts by Mr. Rattenbury, architect, up to 31st of March last.

Agreed to.

Mr. Forster asked the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works:

1. Is Mr. Rattenbury the purchasing agent for supplying the furniture, interior decoration, etc., etc., for the new government buildings?

2. Have the government supplied specifications and asked for tenders for all such necessary fixtures and materials?

3. If so, who were the tenderers?

Hon. Mr. Martin in reply said:

1. Yes.

2. Yes, where it was practicable and in the public interest to do so.

3. The British Columbia Furniture Co., Weiler Bros., Robertson & Co., Muirhead & Mann, McKillican & Anderson, E. G. Prior & Co., Thos. Dunn & Co., Nicholles & Renouf, McLellan & McFeely, Geo. Hinton, Richardson Ellson & Co., Farmer Brindley & Co., and D. McIntosh & Co.

Hon. Premier Turner resumed the debate on Mr. Cotton's motion urging the government to take up the question of the simplification of the titles to land and the relief of the "inequitable taxation" under the Assessment Act. He believed he had before called this a double-barreled resolution, and said that it was a very poor thing to offer to the farmer. It was quite true, as the hon. gentleman said, that there was great distress among the farmers. He believed a matter was now in a forward state to relieve the farmers from that distress. Hon. gentlemen opposite had said during the budget debate that if we get public works begun in the province the farmer would be helped legitimately. He himself questioned whether any other form of help would be as good as that. He pointed out before, that in offering the farmer the Torrens system the mover was offering worse than a stone. How that system would relieve the farmer he could not at all understand, and he did not think any farmers would be found to say that the system would help them. What the farmers wanted was a market and easy access to it. At the present time there was a good prospect that the farmers—especially in the district which the mover referred to specially—would be given that. They read in the resolution that the simplification of the titles to land, by facilitating its transfer and enabling a lender to ascertain, at a trifling cost and with absolute certainty, the borrower's title to the security offered, would be of advantage to this industry. He thought if farmers were satisfied with such a proposition as that they must be easily gulled indeed. He did not believe that one farmer would accede that it would give him any alleviation of the trouble that existed at the present time. The reference to the Assessment Act was an old, old story. Every one knew the actual position at the present time. The farmers unfortunately had arranged for themselves that they should pay that tax. That was the actual position. The resolution if carried out in its entirety would mean double taxation to farmers. He did not think the house favored the motion.

Mr. Booth complimented the hon. member for Vancouver on his ingenuity in drawing up the motion. The present system of land titles was, however, in his opinion, quite good enough. There had been no complaint from the farmers about it. He did not see that any good would result from changing the system to the Torrens system. To allow the hon. member to take this part of the resolution away from the mortgage tax motion he moved that the debate be adjourned to this day three months.

Mr. Semlin, in opposing the amendment, declared that they all knew the agricultural interest had been suffering for years past and it was suffering now more than any other class. The hon. member for the Islands (Mr. Booth) had said there were other classes suffering as badly. He would like to know what classes they were. As to the Torrens' system, after conversation with legal gentlemen he was satisfied that the sooner the system was adopted, the better for the province. He could see no reason in voting down the resolution. On the contrary, if the government allowed it to pass and acted upon it, the assistance they could give under it would be very acceptable to the farmers.

Mr. Helmcken was opposed to the three months' motion, as the resolution was of importance to many interests in the country. The matter ought not to be treated in a light way and it was just as well to put an end to the question whether we should have the Torrens' system or not.

Hon. Mr. Eberts remarked that he would only deal with the Torrens system part of the resolution.

Mr. Speaker—The motion is that the debate be adjourned for three months.

Hon. Mr. Eberts said it was most reasonable to adjourn the resolution for three months, particularly because of a point he would draw attention to. That point referred to the Torrens system. He asked the house to note the fact that the Torrens system was on the books at the present day. In the first year that a registration system was passed in British Columbia—1860—section 20 gave the most complete Torrens system. That section set out that after a man had been in possession of land for five years he was entitled to a certificate of indefeasible title which was good against the whole world, even the crown. That first act had to a certain extent been modified under the present system of registration. As the act to-day stood when a man had been registered for seven years he might apply for a certificate of registered title. He would call particular attention to the fact that although 20,972 certifices of title had been issued in Victoria alone, only 525 applications had been made for certificates of indefeasible title. That led him to believe that people were well satisfied with the present system.

Mr. Williams asked if the hon. member was not travelling outside the rules.

Mr. Speaker said the Attorney-General must confine himself to the motion before the house.

Hon. Mr. Eberts claimed that he might show that it was in the best interest of the country that the debate should be adjourned, and that was what he was trying to do. He was anxious to place this matter impartially and fairly before the house. The introducting of the Torrens system at the present day would be a great change upon the country and would not be beneficial to the farmers.

Mr. Williams submitted that the hon. member was out of order.

Mr. Cotton expressed surprise that the government acquiesced in the motion to adjourn, and—

Hon. Mr. Eberts claimed the floor as he had only been waiting for the Speaker's ruling. This was a most important matter. Possibly he was wrong in saying the debate ought to be adjourned for three months, but there were reasons why the resolution should not pass. Hon. gentleman opposite seemed very loth to hear exactly what was the truth with regard to the Torrens system. The Torrens system would not benefit the farmers.

Mr. Williams again claimed that the Attorney-General was going beyond the motion of Mr. Booth.

Hon. Mr. Eberts was again proceeding when the Speaker ruled him out of order.

Hon. Mr. Eberts said hon. gentlemen on the other side of the house were evidently desirous not to hear his remarks and he would say nothing more.

Major Mutter certainly objected to the Torrens system, but he did not want the debate adjourned; he wished it concluded once for all.

Mr. Cotton also objected to the adjournment. He said it would place the government in an uncomfortable and inconsistent position. He based that statement on facts. In 1892 a deputation saw the government about the mortgage tax—.

Mr. Speaker said the hon. member was out of order and he should confine himself to the motion.

After some further small talk the three months' hoist was carried by 17 votes to 11 on the following division:

Ayes—Pooley, Eberts, Baker, Martin, Turner, Rogers, Huff, Irving, Bryden, Rithet, Adams, Booth, Stoddart, Smith, Kellie, Mutter, Braden—17.

Nays — Williams, Semlin, Cotton, Hume, Kennedy, Forster, Graham, Kidd, Macpherson, Helmcken, Walkem —11.

Mr. Kennedy moved the second reading of the Poisons bill. The bill was he stated in the public safety. He thought the object—the prevention of accidental poisoning—was an object they should all strive for. The whole gist of the matter was in section 3 which ran as follows: "Notwithstanding anything contained in any other act of this legislature, it shall not be lawful to sell any poison, either by wholesale or retail, unless the bag, bottle, vessel, wrapper or cover in which such poison is contained be distinctly labelled with the name of the article and the word 'Poison,' and with the name and address of the seller of the poison, and it shall not be lawful to sell any liquid poison unless the same be put in a blue bottle having its outer surface covered with sharp or raised points blown or made in the same, and it shall not be lawful to sell any of the poison which are enumerated in Schedule "A" of this act to any person, unknown to the seller, unless introduced by some person known to the seller, and on every sale of any such article the seller shall, before delivery, make, or cause to be made an entry in a book to be kept for that purpose, in the form set forth in schedule 'B' of this act, stating the date of the sale, the name and address of the purchaser, the name and quantity of the article sold, and the purpose for which it is stated by the purchaser to be required, to which entry the signature of the person (if any) who introduced him or her shall be affixed; and for the purposes of this section the person on whose behalf any sale ie made by any apprentice or servant shall be deemed to be the seller; provided that the provisions of this section shall not apply to the sales by wholesale to retail dealers in the ordinary course of wholesale dealing, nor to any medicine for internal use supplied by a legally qualified medical practitioner to a patient, nor to any article when forming part or the ingredients of any medicine for internal use dispensed by a person under the direction of a duly qualified medical practitioner, provided that such medicines be labelled with the name and address of the seller, and the ingredients thereof be entered in a book to be kept by the seller for that purpose; nor to such medicines known as 'nostrums.'"

Mr. Kellie remarked that it seemed to him that there was a great deal of poison sold in smooth bottles at the present time. (Laughter.) He could not support the measure. He thought druggists should label poisons.

Mr. Smith said he would vote against the bill. No druggist that he had spoken to favored the principle.

Dr. Walkem drew attention to discrepancies in the bill. The bill would strike at all the small stores in the province, and would result in a few cents worth of poison being put in a fifty cent bottle.

Mr. Semlin said the whole object of the bill was the preservation of human life. The mover asked that the bill should be allowed to go into committee and be there amended. That was a reasonable request. His hon. friend wanted death-dealing medicines put in rough bottles. Several sad accidents had happened because this had not been done. He cordially supported the suggestion that the bill should go to committee.

Capt. Irving and Mr. Rogers opposed the bill.

Hon. Mr. Martin could not see that the object the hon. gentleman had in view would be gained by passing the bill, and he would vote against the second reading.

The motion for the second reading was lost by 16 to 10.

Mr. Forster asked the Minister of Finance:

1. What is the assessed value of the railway, plant and coke ovens of Union Colliery, Co., Comox?

2. Are the dwelling houses and buildings used in connection with the operation of the Union coal mines situated on lands comprised within the Esquimalt and Nanaimo railway land grant?

3. If so, are the said dwelling houses and buildings, and the land on which the are situate, assessed for taxes? If not, why not.

Hon. Mr. Turner replied:

1. Sixty-five thousand dollars, exclusive of railway.

2. No.

3. They are not situated on that land, but they are assessed for taxes.

The house went into committee of supply, Mr. Booth in the chair.

The $1,500 for the lieutenant-governor's office was passed, but Mr. Semlin protested against the $2,002 asked for the premier's office. He claimed that the $4,000 paid the premier as finance-minister was enough.

Hon. Mr. Turner said $1,002 was for stenographer and other assistants, who also did work for other departments. The vote was passed, as also $19[illegible],136 for civil government salaries, and $156,362 for administration of justice salaries. The $31,115 for legislation, which includes $19,800 for members' allowance, was voted without discussion.

On the vote for $3,500, bureau of mines, Hon. Col. Baker stated in reply to questions that when they got into the new building, the mines office would include an assay office, laboratory and museum of minerals, which they hoped to make very complete. There would be a course of instruction in assaying and mineralogy in the winter time and at the end a stiff examination would be held and certificates would be given to those who passed. The course would be open to the whole world. The vote was passed, together with all the votes for public institutions, maintenance, in all $92,840.

At 5:45 p.m. the committee rose and reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

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WHAT PEOPLE SAY.

Another Plea for the Golden Flowers That Line the Fairfield Road.

Hopes That the Lacrosse Concert Will Clear Off All Past Indebtedness.

TO THE EDITOR:—Every one in the habit of strolling or driving along the Fairfield or Foul Bay roads will readily admit that one of the principal charms of these country thoroughfares is the "broom" and heather growing upon either side—but strangers from civilized countries will hardly believe that the civic authorities of any place could have ordered the removal of these natural ornaments simply because, as Mr. Pemberton assures us, "they make a hiding place for higewaymen," but residents of British Columbia, who are accustomed to the "fantastic tricks" which those "dressed in a little brief authority" play "before High Heaven" can quite believe what Mr. Pemberton says. The action of the "streets committee" on this occasion is fairly on a parallel with the doings of such bodies here and elsewhere in the province for years past. In fact, I remember the very counterpart of this case, when, in order that the chain gang might not elude their keepers when working on the streets, the city council ordered the removal of all the shade trees and ornamental shrubbery, which men of discernment and artistic taste, who governed the country under the Crown Colony system, had planted for the beautifying of Columbia street, New Westminster. But then the days when shade trees and ornamental shrubbery were planted at Westminster was "when officials from Downing street tyrannized over a free people," and the days when the trees were cut down for the sapient reason that prisoners might lurk behind them was in the days when we had gained our emancipation, and were a "free people" as we are supposed to be when we see folly such as the removal of the "Bonny Bonny, Broom," enacted by men who ought to be in a lunatic asylum instead of in charge of the government of a city. They cannot find money to repair and mend the roads—or to place the bridges in condition so that they will not be death traps to the inhabitants, but they can find money and lots of it to ruthlessly destroy that which makes existence enjoyable.

But who is to blame? Is it not Mr. Pemberton and scores of others like him who put such men as these in office? If a few years ago when a law was introduced to place the city under commissioners, Mr. Pemberton and other men of influence had put their shoulders to the wheel and have helped the measure through, that law would have been in existence to-day.

The fact is, that the place is not fit to govern itself, nor will it be until we have double or treble the population we have. Then, in a large population, a healthy public opinion will assert itself, and there will be men who will come to the fore fit to govern us, and public opinion will be sufficiently intelligent to elect them. As it is, public opinion is in swaddling clothes, and is choked by the blatant humbug who rants before the people about "freedom and the rights of man," which are no more surely strangled, than by the man who so fluently talks about them. As Mr. Bumble remarked, "the public is an ass." Until the place has learned wisdom, which will not be until it is older and has largely increased its population, the only method of government is that of commissioners, and if Mr. Pemberton wants to be of true service to the public interest, and his own, he had better exert his influence in getting such a law passed.

"HALO SYMPATHY."

Victoria, April 8.

TO THE EDITOR:—I observe in the columns of your contemporary this evening an item concerning an entertainment to be held of the local talent on behalf of the Capital Lacrosse Club, in which it is stated that it is hoped the proceeds from the said entertainment will place them out of debt, or words to that effect. Now, what I should like to know is, does this mean that "old scores" assumed by them as a matter of honor will be paid forthwith, or have merchants, who have unfortunately given credit to the now defunct "Victoria Lacrosse Club," to lose amounts due, as the leading members of the committee of that institution do not seem to feel under any obligation to settle for goods supplied them, but shirk the responsibility by stating that their successors, or the "Capitals," assumed all debts owing by them.

The time has gone past for these clubs to expect the merchants to "foot their bills." If it is a matter of subscription that is needed to help along these sports I shall do my share in that direction, but when credit is sought and obtained by them, as a matter of honor the members should see that accounts are paid.

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In the Matter of the Land Registry Act.

And in the Matter of the Title to Lot 994, in the City of Victoria.

Notice is hereby given that Gustav Sutro will be registered as the owner in fee of the above mentioned lot at the expiration of three calendar months from this date if no objection be made to the contrary within that time by some person claiming title to the same.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General of Titles.

Land Registry Office, Victoria,
January 19th, 1897. ja19

NOTICE.

Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax.

NOTICE is hereby given, in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt Electoral Districts, North Saanich, Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, Coast and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, with parts of Barclay and Clayoquot Districts assessed by me, are payable at my office.

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CORNELIUS BOOTH,
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January 2nd 1897. ja12

COURTS of Assize and Nisi Prius, and of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery, will be holden at the places and on the dates following, viz:—

City of Nelson, on Monday, the 21st day of June, 1897.

Town of Donald, on Monday, the 28th day of June, 1897.

By Command.
JAMES BAKER,
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
23rd March, 1897. mr26

"Land Registry Act."

In the matter of the application of Maurice Humber, of the City of Victoria, for a certificate of indefeasible title to subdivisions five (5), ten (10) and eleven (11), Topaze avenue, Victoria city, being part of section five (5), Victoria district, (Map 5), and to lots one (1), two (2) and three (3), block T, of the Work Estate, being part of section four (4), Victoria District.

Notice is hereby given that a certificate of indefeasable title to the above lands, will be issued to Maurice Humber on the 10th day of July, 1897, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest therein, or in some part thereof

"S. Y. WOOTTON,"
Registrar General.

Land Registry Office,
Victoria, B. C., March 31, 1897. ap1

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its present sitting, for a private bill to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining, and operating a railway from a point on the south boundary line of British Columbia, between the 134th and 136th degrees of longitude, at the head of Lynn Canal, and thence northerly and westerly by the most feasible route to the north boundary line of British Columbia; with power to construct, maintain and operate branch lines, and all necessary bridges, ferries and wharves, and to construct, own and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to build, own and operate steam and other vessels, to take and use water for generating electricity and other purposes, and to acquire foreshore rights and lands for the right of way, station grounds and other necessities, and to acquire lands and other bonuses or aids from the Governments of Canada and British Columbia, or from any municipality, corporation or person, to aid in the construction of the said railway, and make traffic and other arrangements with other railway companies or persons, and for all other usual and necessary powers and privileges; and also, for power to levy a royalty on all precious metals passing outwards over the said road when constructed.

Dated at the city of Victoria, British Columbia, this 9th day of March, 1897.

E. E. BILLINGHURST,
Agent for the Applicants.

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NOTICE.

STOCK CERTIFICATES
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A SUMMER SCENE.

Laden come the maidens home,
With peonies and wild roses,
Singing ditties as they come,
And blushing like their posies.

Crowned is one merry maid
With coronal of poppy;
Nature has with beauty played,
To make a faultless copy.

Laughter gathers in her eye,
Her every movement blushes;
Hark! she needs a lover's sigh
With songs in birdlike gushes.

Cupid, should he pass her way,
For lack of strength must tarry;
She will steal his bow away
And bid the rogue go marry.
—Charles T. Lusted in Blackwood's Magazine.

OLD MILITARY LORE.

Regulations That Guided Soldiers In the Sixteenth Century.

"The Pathwaie of Martiall Discipline" (1581), by Thomas Styward, is full of plates and abounds in quaint remarks. Giving the duties of a provost marshal, we find: "He shall according to the lawes punish all offenders without regard or respect of persons, and in the market place shall set up a pair of gallows, both for the terror of the wicked and for execution upon them that offend the lawes. That he shall set upon all victualls brought to the market a reasonable price, that the seller and the buyer may reasonably live by it." In the office of coronel (or colonel—the two terms seem to have been introduced at the same time, but the latter became the favorite), after mentioning his appointing of as many captains as is needful, giving 300 men to a company, "which is a convenient number," for if the men are divided into smaller companies too much money would be spent on the officers. With regard to the lieutenant, he is to be "of great experiences, qualities and behavior." "The coronel shall also examine the selections that the captains have made of all the officers throughout their companies, and if they be such as ought to be, or not much worse he may allow them, and not otherwise."

Before firearms drove out all other weapons it was an object to equalize the strength of the company, "the shot" (as the musketeers came to be called) supplementing the pikes. All the combinations of men for drilling which are given by various authors illustrate this; thus for the defense from horsemen: "Place the ranks of pikes every way, your shot next unto them, your bills (or halberds) and ensign in the midst, the pikes ends couched down the better to resist the enemy."

All kinds of dodges are taught—thus: "If in sight of the enemy, which is superior in numbers, the front rank of pikes shall spread out so as to admit the men of the second rank in the open spaces. But if the enemy manifest a real intention of attacking, and there be no place of refuge near, the second rank shall return to their places, and all shall serrie close together. The shot shall be placed in the voward and rearward so that they may skirmish and retire as occasion serveth."—Gentleman's Magazine.

White House of the Confederacy.

Within a short time the old home of Jefferson Davis in Richmond will be thrown open to the public as a Confederate museum. The "White House of the Confederacy," as it has been called, has been the property of the city for many years and has recently been used as a schoolhouse. A room in the house will be assigned to each of the states that seceded for a collection of relics, and in addition there will be a large room for a general museum and one for a library. The first of the state collections—that of Georgia—has been received. It was presented to the committee by Mr. De Renne on the eighty-sixth birthday of President Davis, June, 1894. Among the relics are the cape, gauntlets and sword of General Lee; the plumes from General Stuart's hat; the spyglasses used by General Beauregard at the battle of Manassas, and the collections from the various soldiers' homes established throughout the south, including the Lee Camp Soldiers' home collection, which contains, in addition to many rare and interesting relics, the skin of Stonewall Jackson's charger. There are also a number of manuscripts and private papers.—New York Tribune.

Shortening the Time.

Friend—Doesn't the journey to and from the country every day seem very long?

Mr. Suburb—Long? It's too short. When I take the train in the morning, I know I've got to pinch in and work like a horse the moment the train reaches the city. That makes the journey seem too short, doesn't it?

"I presume it does. But how about the journey back?"

"Well, I always remember after I start that I've forgotten something my wife wanted particularly, so that ride is always over too soon."—Pearson's Weekly.

Not So Awfully Superior.

Paleface—Why don't you get a civilized name for yourself, now that you have become a civilized Indian?

Noble Red Man—Ugh! What your name?

Paleface—My name is Iglehart.

Noble Red Man (with crushing sarcasm)—Ugh! Iglehart! Heap good! Injun's name Eagle Heart! Heap bad!—Chicago Tribune.

Prayer has a right to the word "ineffable." It is an hour of outpourings which words cannot express—of that interior speech which we do not articulate, even when we employ it.—Mme. Swetchine.

During the four years of the civil war there were 107 pitched battles, 102 combats involving the presence of a number of regiments on each side and 362 skirmishes, sieges and other actions.

Sir John Herschel proved that an icicle 45 miles in diameter and 200,000 miles long would melt in one minute should it fall into the sun.

On the Bridge.

"Gee!"

A howl of anguish arose from the man with the pale pink whiskers.

"I've an awful stitch in my side!"

The Brooklynite beside him held fast to the hand rail.

"That comes from"—he helped the sufferer through the surging throng as he spoke—"getting hemmed in a crowd."

The other said nothing, and in silence they threaded their way through the devious mazes of the new bridge terminal.—New York World.

On "Change."

Bragley—Hello, old fellow! I've struck it rich. I never had such luck. Everything I handle rises ten points—everything I touch turns to gold.

Nagly—I say, Bragley, touch me, will you?—Truth.

A Boy's Suggestion.

"Little boy," said a man severely, "I wouldn't act that way."

"Why?"

"Because it's wrong to fight, and"—

"Yes, but wot did yer do at my age?"

"Do? I obeyed my parents, brought smiles to the faces and joy to the hearts of my playmates"—

"Never got too sick t' go t' Sunday school?"

"Never."

"Never smoked grapevines in"—

"Never, never, my poor boy"—

"Never licked a kid littler'n you?"

"No, sir."

"Ner stole a peach ner melon ner"—

"Never, boy, never!"

"Never lied t' git 'nuther kid whupped, when 'twuz your turn?"

"Nay, verily"—

"Say!"

"Well?"

"How'd yo spend yer time?"

"In study, in reflection, in application, in solemn meditation"—

"Say, mister, you oughter run fer office"—

"Ah, true and wisely said, my dear little boy. You evince wisdom beyond your years and environments. We have need of good men in office"—

"Yes; yo oughter run"—

"Ah, my dear little"—

"So's th' fellers on th' other side could tell ye wot ye are. 'Twouldn't be perlite in me!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

He Was Satisfied.

The grocery man intimated that if it was all the same to him he'd prefer cash down on the hand of tobacco.

"I hope," blustered Uncle Eben Saunders, for it was he, "thet you don't doubt my trooth and honesty?"

"Oh, no, indeed—no, indeed," protested the grocery man, "no, indeed, Uncle Eben. Why, I've always said that I considered your note as good as your word."

"That's all right," asserted Uncle Eben, with a mollified shake of his head. "I was sorter 'fraid ye was gettin to mistrustin of me."

On the strength of which he rolled contentedly out of the store while the grocery man, as he wrote it up, sighed as only a tomato can.—New York Recorder.

A Leap Year Engagement.

"Mr. Washington," remarked Mrs. Cayenne, with a very gracious smile, "you have not been as polite as most young men of my acquaintance. You have never proposed to me."

"Why—weally," replied Willie. "I nevah thought you would listen to any such conversation on my paht."

"Oh, but I should, I can assure you. Miss Miggins and Miss Giltinby both told me that you are wonderfully funny when you propose."—Washington Star.

Conscientious About It.

"Edith," called out mamma from the sitting room, "are you stirring the flour into that batter as I showed you how to do it?"

"Yes, mamma," said the little girl, "but my arm is getting awfully tired. Would it unmix it if I stirred it the other way a little while?"—Chicago Tribune.

Mitigating.

Little Dot—Teacher says we needn't all learn to write the same hand.

Mamma—That pleases you, doesn't it?

Little Dot—Why, no. It's just as hard to learn to write one way as another. Now, if she'd only tell us we needn't all spell the same way, there'd be some comfort in it.—London Advertiser.

One Among Many.

"We won't print any such stuff as that," said the editor loftily as he handed back the manuscript.

"Well, you needn't be so haughty about it," retorted the irregular contributor. "You're not the only one who won't print it."—Pearson's Weekly.

Filling the Bill.

Contractor—I trusted you to overlook this work, and here the thing I was most particular about you have neglected altogether.

Overseer—And isn't that overlooking it entirely, I'd like to know?—Boston Transcript.

A Favorite.

She—Yes. I am very fond of pets.

He—Indeed! What, may I ask, is your favorite animal?

She (frankly)—Man.—Town and Country Journal.

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AN APPLICATION Is now pending to the Provincial Legislature for an Act of Incorporation, and notices given of two separate Private Bills for Water, Electric Light and Power Companies, also Telephone, Water, etc. All in connecction with and to supply the Town of Grand Forks and Suburbs.

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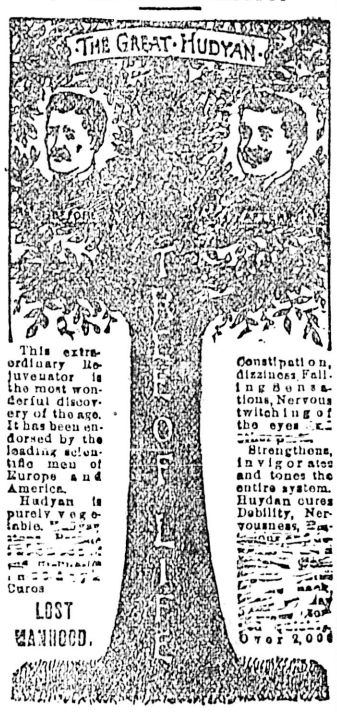

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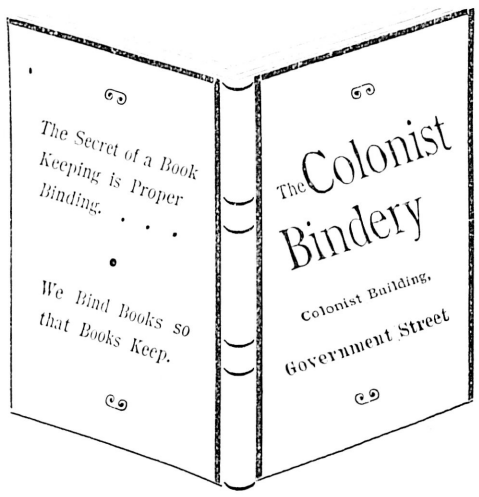

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THE THERMOMETER.

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5 a.m..	44·		5 a.m.—Calm.
9 a.m..	49·	Highest 56·	1 p.m.—4 N.
1 p.m..	54·		9 p.m.—4 N.
5 p.m..	54·	Lowest 43·	
9 p.m..	49·		Rain—0.01. Cloudy. Sunshine—1h. 18 m.

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WHAT IT MEANT.

How the Election in Champlain Was Regarded in Quebec.

MONTREAL, April 8.—(Special)—The French Conservatives are elated over the election in Champlain. They hold the result shows that the school question is not dead, at least as far as Quebec is concerned. Had the result been otherwise in Champlain it would have been killed beyond resurrection, but the election was fought mainly on that issue and the people of Champlain have declared themselves against the settlement.

HURRAH FOR THE PADDIES.

Knock Out the United States Lacrosse Team Who Went to Belfast to Play.

BELFAST, April 8.—A lacrosse team of the Newtown club to-day defeated by a score of six to one the team of the Crescent Athletic Club, of Brooklyn, N.Y.

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Loran E. Adams, Deep Brook, N.S. says: "I have taken Norway Pine Syrup with grand results. I had a very bad cough for five weeks and could get no relief, but after taking one bottle of Norway Pine Syrup I was entirely cured. It is the greatest cough medicine in the world."

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CANNY AND CAUTIOUS.

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The resolution found a ready seconder in Mr. R. H. Jameson, who held that the business interests of Victoria centred in this railway. He again emphasized the great advantage that would accrue to Victoria from a direct connection with the Kootenay country, and touched briefly upon the point that if Victoria was to have a smelter it would have to have a railway by which the ores of the Kootenay country might be cheaply and expeditiously delivered at that smelter. Without the railway the smelter would practically be a useless institution, while having a railway the same trains that brought ores here to be smelted would carry return cargoes of Victoria merchandise for the use of the mining communities.

Ald. Stewart was as prompt to take exception to, as Mr. Jameson had been to second, the resolution. What he objected to, and what he had objected to all along, was that the "point on the Coast" was not definitely set forth. He had come prepared to move that Point Roberts be plainly named, and if the mover and seconder of the resolution would consent to its being made to read "from Point Roberts on the Coast" etc., it might meet the difficulty presenting itself to his mind. He had little to say in regard to the proposition itself—but he did not want Victorians to endorse any indefinite proposition by which when the road had been built Victoria would find herself left out in the cold. He firmly believed in the development of the country by railway construction, and while the assistance promised by the government for the Chilliwack road might not be all that was desirable it was a good start and would go to show the world that British Columbians were not afraid to put money into the development of their own country. The time had come for this to be done. A second point for consideration—was it not well that assistance should be given to secure a completed road to Kootenay and no more disjointed spurs of road such as the Victoria and Sidney, that in themselves were of no use to themselves, Victoria or the country at large. He hoped by naming Point Roberts to secure the utilization of the V. & S. road and thereby relieve the city and the province of a very considerable financial burden. He took this stand with no antagonism to the C. P. N. Co. or any other concern—for surely any project that would advance the prosperity of Victoria would contribute to the advantage of the individual citizens constituting the community.

Mr. Rithet Advises Caution.

The mover and seconder expressed themselves as satisfied that the proposed change should be made, and Ald. Stewart being also satisfied, it seemed as though the resolution would be immediately put to the meeting and the proceedings terminate. The chairman had in fact gone as far as the customary "are you ready for the question," when Mr. R. P. Rithet, M.P.P., came to the platform.

"No," he said, "I am not quite ready. I had hoped and expected to hear some explanation from the promoters of this meeting as to its object or necessity. I did not come here as a representative of the city in the legislature, not having been invited as such, but as a citizen taking a deep interest in all that concerns Victoria. I have been requested, too, by Premier Turner to explain that he also would be here but for the fact that the house is in session with the estimates before it, and it is imperative that he should be in his place. This matter of the railway from the Coast to Kootenay is one that has given both the government and your representatives much thought, and I have been gratified to learn from the speeches here this evening that the views of the speakers so nearly correspond with those which the government and the house have been zealously endeavoring to carry out. That the time has arrived when this country should be developed by systematic railway construction, and that the Dominion government should contribute a fair share of the revenue it derives from this country toward the construction of these roads will not be denied. The next point for us to remember is that we must proceed with caution and business prudence. We cannot jeopardize the credit of the province for the benefit of any particular line, and must therefore devise the best means to accomplish the most good, at the best price and in the shortest possible time. These are the reasons that have actuated the government in bringing down their railway policy bill, and when the public have had time and opportunity to look fully and fairly into this measure and to realize its full significance, I am sure that they will give the government credit for determining upon the legislation that is calculated to do the greatest general good in the least possible time if it results in the securing of the railways menfioned.

"The object of this meeting, as I understand it, is to take up specially the matter of the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern railway. I had hoped that those who were instrumental in calling the meeting would appear before it and give some explanation of their reasons for doing so at the present particular time. Their not doing so makes it difficult to determine what is wanted or where we are at. We are all heartily in favor of railway building; we are all agreed as to the desirability of constructing any road that will develop this province, or any important section of it. One thing in regard to this Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern railway has, however, always been a puzzle to me. As a member of the legislature and as chairman of the railway committee, I was somewhat surprised to note, and I pointed out to the solicitor in charge of the bill that it contained no provision for the continuation of the road to Victoria. His reply was that he was not then in a position to amend the preamble, which would be necessary. In fact, it was only when the bill was in its last stage that the provision was made that connection should be made with some point on Vancouver island,—even then the promoters of the bill did not say Victoria. I would have liked to have heard from the promoters of this road, here, to-night, why, if it was the intention to come to Victoria, it was not so stated in their measure."

Continuing, Mr. Rithet quoted from the bill at its different stages to show that the company's intention was to build from Vancouver city to Rossland, via New Westminster. No mention was made of Victoria—possibly so that the promoters might come to Victorians later on and ask them to bid with a substantial bonus for connection. His objection to this bill, as a citizen and as a representative of the city, rested on the fact that Victoria was ignored in it; and until the promoters of the enterprise came forward with a straight, open declaration that would be satisfactory to Victorians, he could not but advise his fellow-citizens to be cautious how they pledged their assistance. When the promoters were ready to make such an honest declaration as he had spoken of, he would be found not only ready to follow but to lead in support of the project—but not until then, in fairness to Victoria.

Replying to questions from Ald. Partridge and ex-Ald Williams, he explained that he had suggested to the gentleman in charge of the bill that provision be made in it for connection with Victoria. The nearest to this that the bill got, however, was "some point on Vancouver Island." Concluding, he commented on the fact that the public appeared especially enamoured of this Kootenay road, although he hoped Victorians would learn more about it, ascertain if it could be built and operated on economical and practical lines, and find out what engineering difficulties were presented by the route proposed, before setting upon it the seal of their approval.

In regard to the British Pacific—for which it had been said he was ready to sacrifice this Kootenay road—the securing of that road had for years been the goal of his ambitions. If he had not yet been successful he did not think it could be said that his failure had cost the country anything, or yet discredited the country in any way. For years he had stood alone for this road and a general policy of railway building, and while he still believed the British Pacific the best road for Victoria and the whole of British Columbia, he would be willing and glad at any time to assist any road calculated to be of benefit to the whole province or any section of it. As a final word he read several extracts from Marcus Smith's report and other documents as to the engineering difficulties presented by the Hope mountain route.

"Until you know more about this country between Penticton and Hope," he said, "I certainly could not advise you to take the responsibility of recommending the government to spend the country's money in the manner proposed; while as Victorians we must stand firmly together for Victoria's interests."

The Amendment Appears.

Ald. Stewart, in view of Mr. Rithet's remarks, concluded that the original motion, even as changed, would not suit his views, and he therefore moved in amendment, Ald. McCandless being the seconder,

"That the local government be requested to so amend the proposed loan act, 1897, that the expenditure on the Coast railway shall take place this year; failing the whole of it a reasonable portion of it shall be built, and that the road shall be so constructed that it may form a link or continuation of the Sidney railway, and also that it will form the first portion of a complete line to the Kootenay country; that the building of the road shall commence on the mainland at English Bluff, Point Roberts.

"That arrangements be made connecting the cities of Vancouver and Westminster with the proposed line and that traffic arrangements shall be offered the C. P. R. and G. N. railway, so that they may run their cars into Victoria, with a distinct understanding that neither of them shall have any say in the control of the road.

"And be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to each member of the local government."

Ald. McCandless had during the past two or three weeks been told that there was nothing in this company's charter requiring the completion of the road to Victoria. He had found this to be a fact, and though in favor of the road, as a Victorian he felt obliged to oppose it unless the desired stipulation was distinctly made. He hoped the meeting would vote against any indefinite proposition for a "road to the Coast."

Mr. Alexander Wilson was also in accord with the amendment, and urged Victorians to stand together for a specific recognition of Victoria's rights.

Then came Dr. Milne. He explained that Vancouver had been named as the starting point in order that the charter of the Burrard Inlet and Fraser Valley road might be more conveniently taken up, and that the only objection to Point Robert—though he was quite prepared to waive it if it would please Victorians—was the difficulty of securing a good landing. There was no mention directly of the Victoria connection by way of Sydney, simply because the promoters of the bill had not wanted to antagonize others who might want to provide connection by ferry—the C. P. N. Co. for one, Mr. Dunsmuir for another. Mr. Rithet had taken much more credit for his devotion to Victoria than he was entitled to. When he (Dr. Milne) returned home he found the bill before the committee in the last stage, and when it was proposed to introduce the provision by which connection with Victoria was made possible, the only objection came from Mr. Cotton and Mr. Rithet.

This Mr. Rithet immediately contradicted. His only objection had been that Victoria was not mentioned.

Mr. Rithet had objected, Dr. Milne continued, and more than that he had asked Mr. Booth to have the bill recommitted so that Vancouver Island connection might be mentioned.

As to the project itself, Mr. Rithet, he asserted, had always been its enemy, being quite willing to sacrifice it for the British Pacific. He maintained that no formidable engineering difficulties presented themselves, and that to revert again to the British Pacific, the present Bute Inlet scheme was very different from the original proposition, Victoria being by it quite left in the cold. The British Pacific would doubtless come in time, as the necessity for it became apparent, but in the meantime it was to Victoria's interest to get connection with Kootenay, and get it quickly, so that a portion of the trade of this rich region might be diverted hither and Victoria become the winter home of the great number of those engaged in mining ventures in the rich interior. At the present time Victoria was losing valuable trade and desirable residents—the adoption of the resolution proposed by Mr. Grant would he thought bring the change nearer at hand. He did not intend to enter into politics, but it was certainly unfair that the government should give so much to the British Pacific and so little to the Kootenay and coast line.

Mr. H. D. Helmcken, M.P.P., took the floor for a moment only, to clear away the false impression that he was opposed to this line—he would do his best to carry out the wishes of the citizens of Victoria and assist the line. As to Mr. Rithet's stand in the legislature on the bill, he had merely insisted on the proper practice being complied with and had certainly not opposed Victoria's recognition in the measure.

The amendment and the original resolution were then read, and the former being "put" first in the usual manner it was unanimously adopted.

That was the end of the meeting.

"THE Beauties and Resources of Vancouver Island" is the subject which will engage the graphic descriptive powers of Mr. J. W. Laing, M.A. (Oxon), F.R.G.S., this evening under the auspices of the Natural History Society of British Columbia. By the kind permission of Mr. Speaker and the members of the government the address will be given in the legislative hall, and as arrangements have been made with the street railway company for two late cars to leave the government buildings—one for Fort street and one for Esquimalt as soon as the lecture is over—there will doubtless be a very large audience.

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After Recess.

The house again went into Committee of Supply, taking up the vote of $45,450 for hospitals and charities. A long discussion took place on the expenditure of money in Kamloops hospital, and Mr. Sword moved that the vote of $3,000 be laid over. The motion was defeated.

Hon. Mr. Turner informed Mr. Cotton that there would probably be a vote in the supplementary estimates towards a womens' wing to the Vancouver hospital.

Mr. Kennedy pointed out that the women of Westminster were making an up-hill fight to keep up an institution in the Royal City, and he asked for assistance to that building.

Hon. Col. Baker promised consideration, but he pointed out that there were demands from all over the province and they must stop somewhere. The vote of $75,700 for administration of justice, other than salaries, was passed. On the item, $242,111 for education, Hon. Col. Baker remarked that the want of a Normal school was the weak spot in the education system. He hoped they would have such a school at no distant date.

The education vote was then passed and the public works items were taken up and the whole vote of $395,150, including $15,000 for surveys, was voted.

Hon. Premier Turner was proceeding with the miscellaneous expenditure when,

Mr. Semlin said—You can't get through, sir, until morning, because there are items which we will have to discuss at length.

Hon. Mr. Turner—We will begin the miscellaneous at all events. The items in miscellaneous expenditure were then all put through with little debate until the $3,500 for the agent-general was reached.

Mr. Cotton then said he did not see what good the agent-general did. Canada had a very efficient high commissioner. The province had no need for an ornamental immigration agent. The gold mines would bring here all the people we wanted. He urged that the vote should be struck out.

Premier Turner thought this was just the time when we should have an agent in London, and, in fact more should be paid on the agent-general's office. Other province were represented in very good style. He did not know what those representatives were paid, but he believed that it was more than British Columbia paid its agent-general.

Mr. Semlin thought the money would be much better expended here in the province. In his opinion the agent-general's office was not doing any good to British Columbia.

The item was passed, and the remainder of the estimates were then voted, the last passing amid cheers.

The committee rose and reported the estimates.

The house adjourned at 12:20 a.m.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

By Mr. Kennedy—To move on Monday next that the act to amend the Poison Act be placed on the orders of the day for second reading on Wednesday next.

NOTICE OF QUESTION.

By Mr. Hume—To ask the Premier what action, if any, has been taken by the government towards the establishment of a land registry office at Nelson, and the appointment of a Supreme court registrar at Rossland. If no action has been taken is it the government's intention to establish a registry office for the district of Kootenay and if so where?

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